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SUBJECT: SHABA INVASION: FLNC LEADER REACTS TO DEATH OF
METHODIST MISSIONARY GLEN ESCHTRUTH

REFS: (A) LUBUMBASHI 368, (B) LUBUMBASHI 375

FLNC LEADER RAPHAEL MUMBA MADE PERIODIC VISIT TO EMBASSY JUNE 1.
AT END OF AN UNEVENTFUL CONVERSATION HE ASKED ABOUT A BRIEF
NEWS ITEM IN BELGIAN PRESS ON THE REPORTED DEATH OF AN AMERICAN
MISSIONARY IN SHABA. WE GAVE HIM A SANITIZED RUN-DOWN ON
DR. ESCHTRUTH'S DEATH ALONG LINES REFTELS. MUMBA BECAME
VISIBLY UPSET, STATING THAT MISSIONARY MUST HAVE BEEN
"ASSASSINATED" BY FAZ OR MOROCCAN ELEMENTS. HE SAID THAT AS A
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LUNDA, HE WAS INTIMATELY FAMILIAR WITH THE WORKS OF ALL
FOREIGN MISSIONARIES IN THE KAPANGA-SANDOA AREA. THE LAST
REPORT HE HAD RECEIVED FROM THE FLNC OCCUPIED AREA INDICATED
THAT MISSIONARIES WERE CONTINUING THEIR NORMAL ACTIVITIES
WITHOUT ANY DIFFICULTIES OR INCONVENIENCES. HE STRESSED THAT
THE EX-GENDARMES WERE WELL AWARE OF THE GOOD WORKS OF THE
AMERICAN METHODIST MISSIONARIES, MANY HAD BEEN EDUCATED IN

THEIR SCHOOLS AND TAKEN CARE OF IN THEIR HOSPITALS AND IT
WAS INCONCEIVABLE TO HIM THAT ANY EX-GENDARGE WOULD IN ANY WAY
HARM - OR AGREE TO THE HARMING OF - ANY MISSIONARY IN SHABA.
HE STRESSED THAT THE "ASSASSINS" SHOULD BE PUNISHED AND SAID
THAT HE WOULD GO BACK THROUGH FLNC AND TSHOMBE FAMILY CHANNELS
AND SEEK TO DETERMINE WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED TO DR. ESCHTRUTH.
HE SAID THAT HE WOULD INFORM US AS SOON AS HE RECEIVED ANY
INFORMATION BUT CAUTIONED THAT HIS CHANNELS WERE SLOW AND A
RESPONSE COULD TAKE ABOUT TWO WEEKS.RENNER

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